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THE WOMEN'S BOARD.

ORGANIZATION AND METHOD OF WORK.

BY MRS. JOHN P. WHITE, ALBIA, IOWA.

WHEN CAREY started for India he said to his friends, "There is a gold mine in India; I will venture to go down but remember you must hold the ropes." From the time that the very first modern missionaries set forth, groups of men were gathered together for the purpose of "holding the ropes."

For some time the idea of women having any definite part in this work was undreamed of. That a young woman could safely work in the foreign field was denied even by some missionaries. Ere long the non-Christian peoples began to ask for teachers for their women and girls, and when this word reached the homelands there were found consecrated young women who were ready to go to the places of greatest need.

As women gave their lives for the work on the field the women of the home church began to have an enlarged vision. They wanted to help too. So there grew up Female Cent Societies, Mite Societies, Female Praying Societies, Sewing and Dorcas Societies, Spinning and Weaving Societies whose aim was to aid in sending the gospel to the ends of the earth. Later the full-fledged missionary society developed.

It is interesting to note how these societies found the necessity of having an agent to administer their affairs. The celebration of the Jubilee of Women's organized work is still fresh in our minds. From that first interdenominational board, mothered by Mrs. Doremus, there have grown others, until today there are 66 different Women's Boards in the United States and Canada. Most of these boards work in connection with the general boards, assuming the responsibility for definite work, usually the support of lady missionaries and work for women and girls. Other boards are entirely independent and support whole fields by themselves.

Very few women in our local societies have a very definite idea of the activities of our women's boards. There seems to be a general impression that the women

composing these are different from the rest of us. Some fancy that members of a board have no houses to keep, no husbands, no children, no social duties, no church duties—they are just the women of the board. It is surprising how many of these women are busy, homeloving creatures with social tastes and manifold home cares and how many of them are making real sacrifices of time, money and pleasure because they believe that this is the place where God can use them most effectively in His great plan for the world.

The duties of the Board are varied and complex. What Dr. Bliss says of the general board is in a large measure true of every missionary board. "There is probably no other organization in the world, except a national government, which carries on as important lines of business as does a foreign missionary society. It is a vast employment agency; a publishing house; the compeer of the great firms of our cities; a trust company handling large sums of money, only a portion of which is for its own work; a purchasing agency; a relief commission; a board of education, medical aid and general philanthropy; a social reform bureau; all these and much more, in addition to the main purpose of extending the knowledge of salvation in Christ."

The Women's Board is our business agent. It is our business and not theirs that they are conducting. If we realized this as we should the reports would be scanned more carefully. And if we are sometimes inclined to be critical let us remember that our business agent is serving us for the sheer joy of doing it. The members of our board receive no compensation whatever for their work.

THREE POINTS OF CONTACT.

Mrs. Raymond suggests in "The King's Business" that a board of missions has three direct points of contact.

First. *Its relation to the whole missionary enterprise.* It is well that our board women are so strong and capable. They stand in a place of great responsibility. They stand on the watch-tower. Their constituents depend largely upon their judgment in shaping the missionary policy for the women of the church. We see world movements through their glasses and depend largely upon their interpretation of the world vision. In this day of closer unity and interdenominational fellowship, the board takes its place as our representative in working out a common purpose and plan for the women of all churches.

Second. *Its relation with the mission field.* The financial side bulks large here. The regular appropriations for salaries and general work are fixed on a gradually increasing sum. But here is a hospital to be built, there is a school; here is land to be bought, there is a missionary residence to erect. In case of the foreign work the missionaries on the field must draw up plans and specifications and submit them to the board. After these are duly approved and the money appropriated the board watches the progress with bated breath (for buildings have sometimes been known to overrun the estimates, both in the Occident and Orient.)

These board women who are not supposed to be architects, carpenters or mechanics, watch their buildings with such care that someone has said, "They know every nail which goes into a building on the field." In a very wonderful way does the board keep in touch with the workers in the field. Messages are coming and go-

ing all the time. The trials and perplexities of the workers become in a real way the problems of the board.

Third. *Another vital relationship is that of the Board to the Home Base.* "Without the Home Base there could be no permanent foreign missions." A very sad condition exists in the church today. Literally millions of Christians have not had a world vision and are therefore wholly indifferent to the great cause which is so near to our Saviour's heart. This constitutes the most crucial problem in connection with the great missionary task. Repeatedly have we heard the testimony of missionaries that the apathy and indifference manifested among Christians are the greatest discouragements and hindrances to the carrying out of Christ's world program.

The Women's Board is by no means the only agency for changing this condition. But inasmuch as the boards touch the women, young women and children of the church it follows that they have a tremendous responsibility resting upon them.

The Women's Board of the United Presbyterian Church needs the loyal support of every woman in the church. That we may become more helpful to the Board and to the field at large we must understand the work that is being done.

In presenting to the readers of the MAGAZINE "Our Board" and their messages, it is with the earnest hope and prayer that we all may become more efficient in the "King's Business."

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ITS BOARD OF MANAGERS.

BY MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD, RECORDING SECRETARY.



MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD.

IN 1883 representatives of Presbyterians met in conference in the First Church, Allegheny, Pa. and decided upon having the Presbyterians, then numbering sixteen, united in one organization.

In 1884 a permanent organization was effected at Sparta, Ill., under the name—The Women's General Missionary Society.

In 1885, at the second annual convention, a committee of four was appointed, with Mrs. W. J. Reid as chairman, to prepare a plan of organization for a Board of Managers. This committee submitted its plan to the annual convention, May, 1886, which was adopted and made a part of the constitution of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Fifteen women were elected to comprise the Board with headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pa.

During the twenty-seven years of the existence of the Board, the names of fifty-six women have been enrolled as members. Sixteen of this number are now among the "Crowned ones."

Of the fifteen members of the Board elected in May, 1886, Mrs. H. C. Campbell is the only one who is serving at the present time.

The By-Laws adopted in 1886 called for regular meetings of the Board to be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 2 P. M.

As the work enlarged, it was found necessary to hold more frequent meetings, and for several years they have been held from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M. on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, except August, with committee meetings between.

In 1886 there were three departments of work: Foreign, Home and Freedmen.

In 1913 there are thirteen departments, viz: Foreign, Home, Freedmen, Indian, Parsonage, Ministerial Relief, Thank-Offering, Literature, Young Women's, Junior, Junior Magazine, Temperance, Statistical and Finance, each in charge of its own Secretary.

The difficulties involved in the support

of the work have been loyally met by one-third of the women membership of the church with the substantial aid of the Junior Societies.

The Board has from year to year carried on a varied line of work in the home and foreign lands without once having incurred debt.

The General Assembly in assigning work to the care of the Women's Board, without any appropriation, it has to depend wholly upon the voluntary contributions and Thank-Offerings of societies for the support of the work.

As the resources have increased, the work has been enlarged until now some of the activities may be thus catalogued: The support of missionaries and their work which includes salaries, outfit, travel, language teachers, the maintenance of hospitals, dispensaries and salaries of Bible women, the purchase of land, the building and equipment of schools, homes for missionaries and dormitories for girls, and the publishing and distributing each year of thousands of pages of helpful literature.

The Women's Board being one in aim and sympathy with the general boards of the church, it has always sustained close and cordial relations with them.

"Hitherto hath the Lord helped us."

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THE TREASURY.

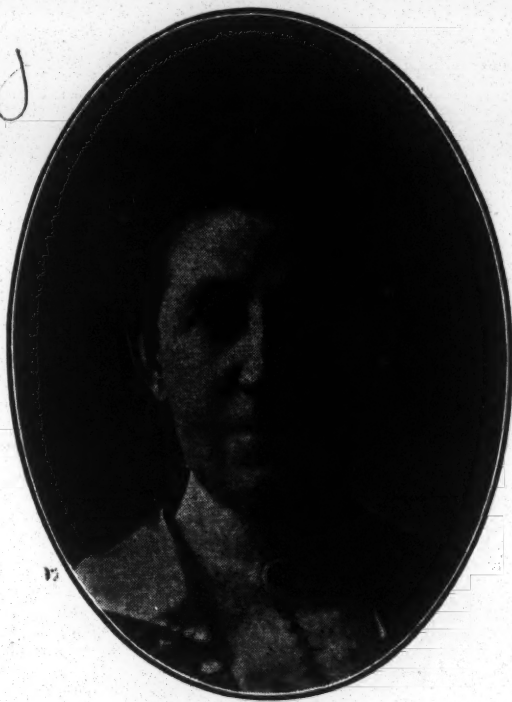
By MRS. J. B. HILL, TREASURER.

THE Treasury of the Women's General Missionary Society is the base of supplies for all departments of its work, and is entirely dependent upon contributions from individuals and missionary societies, (Senior and Junior) Thank-Offerings and bequests.

The Women's Board was organized, May 24, 1886 and the receipts for the

first year, ending April 15, 1887 were \$4870.70. Through the blessing of the Father, the receipts have steadily increased year by year, and last year amounted to \$165,052.21.

In the early years of the work, contributions were gladly received direct from individuals, Sabbath Schools and congregational and Presbyterial societies



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and a separate account was kept with each contributor. As the work grew, it was found impossible to continue that way of keeping accounts, and the treasurer was instructed to open accounts with Presbyterian treasurers only, thus saving the expense and time necessary in dealing with congregational societies and individuals direct. Presbyterian

treasurers thus became the financial correspondents of the general treasurer. Sometimes, for special reasons, individuals prefer to send their contributions direct to the general treasurer, and such gifts are always gladly received and gratefully appreciated, but in general we urge the regular channels.

Year by year, as funds have increased, additional responsibilities have been assumed, and missionary societies are urged to be loyal to the work committed to the Women's General Missionary Society, and not allow private appeals from outside sources to divert their funds and thus cripple the work they are pledged to support.

ENLARGED CONTRIBUTIONS
ARE NEEDED NOT ONLY TO
"LENGTHEN THE CORDS
AND STRENGTHEN THE
STAKES" OF OUR PRESENT
WORK, BUT ALSO TO MEET
THE DEMANDS OF NEW
WORK.



LOANS AND INVESTMENT AND CONTINGENT FUND.

BY MRS. ADA KERR WILSON, CHAIRMAN FINANCE COMMITTEE.

OUR Loans and Investments Department was created that needy missionary congregations could be helped to secure comfortable church buildings.

Interest from these loans, together with interest on Thank-Offering, bank balances, surplus funds, and the contributions of Presbyterials and individuals constitute the Contingent Fund.

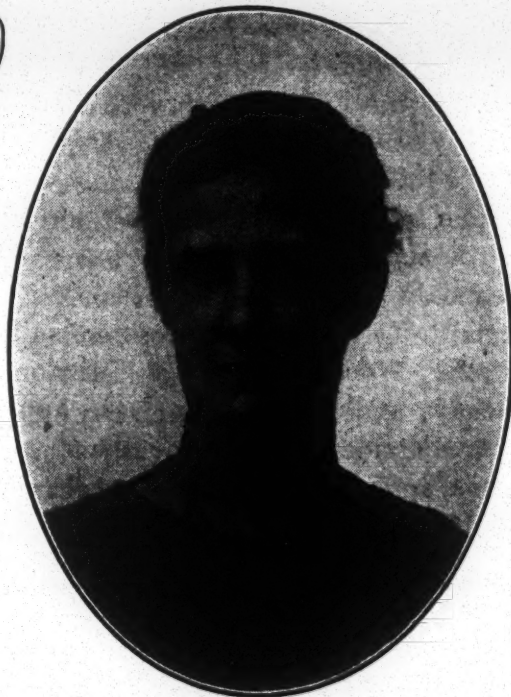
All running expenses are paid from this fund. Not one penny of money contributed for missionary purposes is ever used for Administration Expenses, such

as stationery, printing, rent of offices, phone, traveling expenses, etc. One friend contributes the salary of one of the young ladies employed in the office.

Fifteen congregations are at present receiving the benefit of our system of making loans. One of the rules governing the granting of a loan is that interest at 4½ per cent. the first year and 5 per cent. thereafter must be paid promptly and some payment on the loan must be made at each interest bearing period after the first year.

THE STATISTICS.

BY MISS JENNIE H. CLARK, STATISTICAL SECRETARY.



MISS JENNIE H. CLARK.

WHEN the Women's General Missionary Society was organized in 1883, the statistical work was done by the Recording Secretary. At that time there were 16 Presbyterials, 335 Congregational Societies and 10,593 members. The contributions amounted to \$25,731, of which \$10,839 was paid to objects outside of the Mission work under the care of

the Women's General Missionary Society.

At present the total number of Presbyterials is 70, of which 64 are in our own country, 2 in India and 4 in Egypt. The total number of societies is 1,626, of which 859 are Women's, 268 Young Women's and 499 Juniors, with an aggregate membership of 51,247. The contributions for the past year amounted to \$165,052.21, all of which was distributed for work under the direction of the Women's General Missionary Society.

The Thank-Offering was established in 1888, and in the 25 years since that time has contributed \$831,031.08.

It was decided at the first meeting of the Women's Board in November that the Young Women's and Juniors' Secretaries should send out the blanks and compile the statistics for their societies, and then return them to the Statistical Secretary.

All Presbyterian Societies are urged to elect Statistical Secretaries, and Congregational secretaries are asked to be prompt and careful in filling out blanks so we can have a full and correct report for next year.



THE FOREIGN DEPARTMENT.

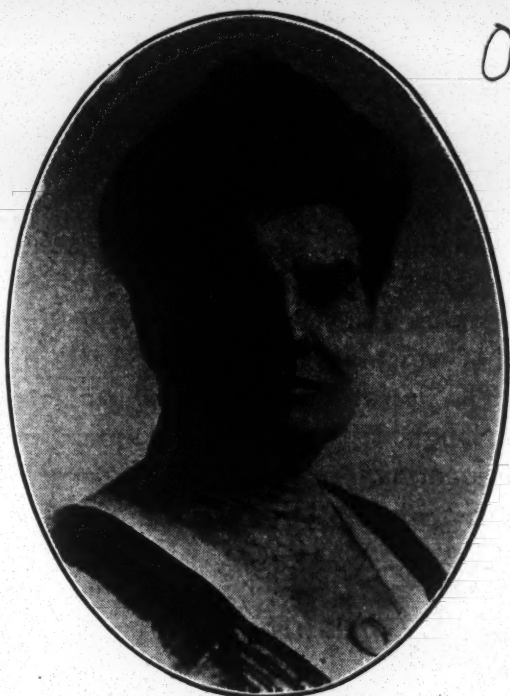
BY MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL, FOREIGN SECRETARY.

PERHAPS the most important part of the work of the Foreign Department of the Women's General Missionary Society is the selection and appointment of missionaries. As is well known our society has undertaken the support of all the unmarried lady missionaries in our three fields—India, Egypt and the Sudan.

As soon as the Foreign Secretary re-

ceives the name and address of a young woman who is supposed to have an interest in foreign work, correspondence is taken up and the motives and desires of the prospective applicant are fully inquired into.

The main requisitions are a High School education at least, but a college course is more desirable, strong physical health, facility in acquiring foreign lan-



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guages, some knowledge of music, vocal and instrumental, experience in working with others harmoniously, experience in winning others to confess Christ, habitual habit of Bible study and a deep conviction that she is called to represent the Master in foreign lands and not more than twenty-eight years of age. If everything seems satisfactory, blanks are sent and wherever possible a personal interview is had and arrangements made at the expense of the Board to bring the applicant to Pittsburgh for a medical examination. The following named doctors have given their service as a labor of love and have agreed to examine all returning and outgoing missionaries without any expense whatever to the Board. We owe them a great debt of gratitude: *Dr. Ada Watson, Dr. Caroline Marshall, Dr. J. P. McKelvey and Dr. J. E. Rigg.

Six personal friends of the candidate are corresponded with and their letters are filed away as references, with a photograph of the applicant. All correspon-

*Since writing, Doctor Ada Watson has passed into Eternal life.

dence of every kind is then presented to the Women's Board and after prayerful consideration the applicant is elected. The papers, pictures, etc., are then forwarded to the Foreign Board asking it to confirm the election. The applicant is at once notified of her appointment and at a suitable time \$100.00 is sent as outfit money together with a list of articles—clothing, furniture, etc., needed for work in the new field.

Earnest and prayerful effort is then made to have some individual or society undertake the payment of the salary of the young woman just elected. Salaries in the three fields are \$550.00 per annum except in the case of physicians, their salaries being \$750.00, with allowances made for language teacher, sanitarium and evangelistic expenses. Of course all traveling expenses to and from the field are also paid by the Board.

The first period of service is seven years. The date of furlough is decided by the missionary association to which the missionary belongs. The furlough salary is \$40.00 per month beginning with the day of arrival in the homeland. It is a matter of profound gratitude that the salaries of all our missionaries except seven have been provided for. For four of this number we receive partial support, leaving only three to be provided for entirely out of our general foreign account. Will not some who read this article volunteer, so that at the next issue of the Magazine we may report all salaries for all our foreign missionaries pledged? *Remember that we have never refused an applicant for lack of funds.* In the year 1913, twenty-nine young women were corresponded with and only nine measured up to the requirements.

The first year of the new missionary is given up largely to the study of the

language after which partial work is assigned her by the Mission which has the right to locate every missionary wheresoever it shall see fit. The work undertaken by our Board is educational, evangelistic and medical.

In addition to the support of the foregoing missionaries the women of the church purchase land and erect buildings thereon at the request of the several Missionary Associations according to the financial ability of the Women's General Missionary Society, it having been one of our foundation principles that by God's grace we would never report a debt to our own Convention or the General Assembly. Up to date our prayer has been granted. We have been able to close every year with all obligations paid and a small cash balance in the treasury.

Deeds for all properties purchased are always made out in the corporate name, viz: The Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America. At present writing *our possessions* in India are as follows: Memorial Hospital, Sialkot; Good Samaritan Hospital, Jhelum; White Memorial Hospital, Pasrur. Dispensaries at Sialkot, Jhelum, Khala, Bhera, Pasrur and Pathankot. Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot; Girls' Boarding and Day School, Sangla Hill. Home for Dispensary Workers, Bhera, Home for Lady Missionaries at Sialkot, Lyallpur, Sangla Hill, and Elizabeth Gordon Home, Sialkot.

In Egypt: Martha J. McKown Hospital, Tanta; Dispensaries at Tanta and Benha; Girls' Boarding and Day Schools at Luxor and Tanta and Rest Home at Ramleh.

In the Sudan: Girls' Boarding and Day School, Khartum North.

The expenses of the maintenance of all the foregoing are met by the Women's Board and also the expenses connected with the Girls' Day School at Sialkot, India and the Day School at Alexandria, Karmous, Kafr el Ashry, Beni Suef, Fayoum, Mansoura and Zagazig, Egypt, all of which are held in rented buildings.

The latest buildings undertaken are in Sangla Hill, India and Tanta, Egypt. The cottage plan for the former was suggested by the Association and confirmed by the Board. Nineteen acres of land upon which were erected eight cottages for girls, an Administration building containing class rooms and large Assembly Hall and a comfortable bungalow for the American missionary, with servants' quarters, engine, pump and reservoir for water plant, a fence about the entire acreage, plants, trees and shrubs, etc., give some idea of what is meant by the Sangla Hill Boarding School for Girls. It gives us pleasure to say that fourteen acres of the land were purchased by the missionaries in India at their own expense and given to the Board.

The Boarding School for Girls at Tanta is to be built upon a lot purchased with life membership money of the Women's General Missionary Society, costing \$15,000.00. Special effort was made to raise special funds for the erection of the building through our Twenty-Fifth Thank-Offering. A goodly sum was received and is now on deposit in the banks bearing interest until the balance of the funds shall be secured and the Association shall decide upon the plans which

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NOT SUPPORT IT WHO WILL?**

will then be submitted to the Board for approval.

One great hindrance in our medical work is the scarcity of women physicians. We have three in India and only one in Egypt. Because of this fact the Egyptian Association has advised us to change our Tanta Hospital from a special hospital for women and children to a general hospital and much to our pleasure has placed Dr. A. F. Grant in charge during Dr. Anna Watson's furlough. In order to erect the necessary buildings compulsory upon the change of work, not less than \$12,000 is needed at once, as the Men's Department must be kept very separate from the wards for women. We are praying that the Master will send this money through His servants in His own good time.

The most pressing needs are more prayer, more workers, more money. For years the contributions from societies to foreign missions have been totally inadequate to the demands. Were it not for the gifts received through the Thank-Offering and the support of missionaries by special funds we would long ago have been compelled to curtail. We ask for

more earnest prayer for a blessing upon this department because we have learned that what the people pray for they give to, so we feel sure that if every member of our missionary societies will pray daily for a blessing we would have abundant funds.

Pray also that the Lord will thrust laborers out into His vineyard. We especially need more lady physicians and graduate nurses for our medical work that it may be fully equipped. Our hearts overflow with gratitude to our Master and to the women of the church through whom He works for the wonderful harmony and increased development of our work.

The writer is always glad to answer any questions relating to this department.

HOW MUCH OF YOUR MISSIONARY DOLLAR REACHES THE FIELD?
ONE HUNDRED CENTS.

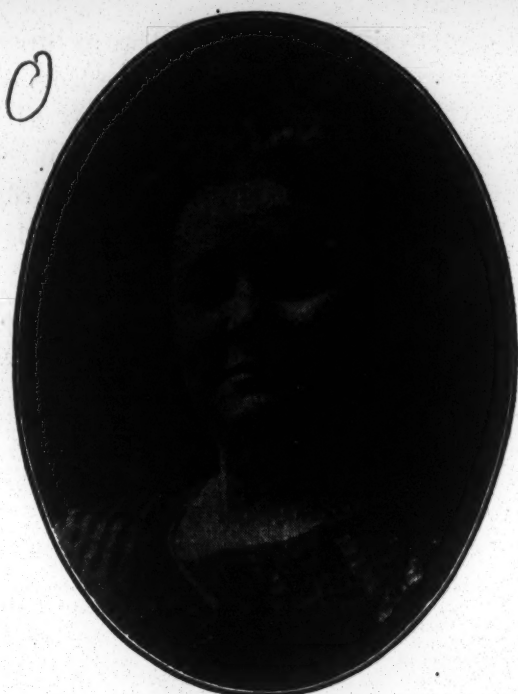
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HOME DEPARTMENT.

BY MRS. WM. S. COOK, HOME SECRETARY.

THE TERM, Mission Field, does not apply only to lands beyond the sea, but to our own America which has been and is becoming more and more a mission field. It is said that at least one-half of the children of school age throughout the country are outside of Sabbath school and that the majority of these are living in districts into which the church has not penetrated. In some western states are whole counties where the Mormon is the only church. The Mormon Church is working hard for

political power, and already holds the balance of power in eight states. The Deseret News, the leading Mormon paper is sent free to all public libraries and reading rooms throughout the land, and is placed upon the tables by librarians not familiar with its character. Each reader should see that this paper is not in the public library in her town. There are two thousand Mormon missionaries in our own country holding meetings, visiting families and distributing tracts by the millions. The same plan is used



MRS. W. S. COOK.

in other countries and many converts are made. We on this side of the water where the institution is firmly planted are guilty of dangerous apathy.

THE MOUNTAINEER.

Four millions of pure blooded Americans scattered over eighty thousand square miles. Individuals and families in certain sections grow to mature life having never heard a sermon or been touched by organized religious influences. A teacher says that in an area about as large as one third of a mountain state, more than one hundred thousand adults are unconverted and have no church influences. They have been "shut in" and "for them the hands of the

clock of civilization and Christianity have stood still." What of our obligation to them?

THE IMMIGRANT.

Foreign mission work has always appealed to us. Now the people from these same countries are coming to us at the rate of a million and a half a year. An average of two hundred thousand return to their native land each year.

Prof. Steiner says, "What we teach the immigrant by precept and example he will become. He will bequeath our virtues or our vices not only to the next generation, but through thousands of invisible channels he will send these blessings or these curses to the ends of the earth." "It is not true that all Southern Italians are 'Black Hands' or all Russian Jews Anarchists or all Slavs vicious and quarrelsome. They are all human material, awaiting the touch of divine grace to be changed by slow process through the eternities, into His likeness." Every foreigner converted in America becomes directly or indirectly a missionary, spreading the truth among his people.

To save the millions of Mormons, Mountaineers, Aliens and all the unchurched in our land, requires the direct effort, offering and prayers of our people. There remaineth very much land to be possessed. May we each ask ourselves the questions, "Where art thou?" "Where is thy brother?" "What hast thou done?"

THE HOME MISSION WORK, IN WHICH IS LARGELY INVOLVED THE FUTURE OF AMERICA, CAN NEVER BE DONE UNTIL INDIVIDUAL MISSIONARY SERVICE IS RENDERED BY ALL WHO ARE CAPABLE AND IN CIRCUMSTANCES TO DO IT

—Grose.

THE NORTH AMERICAN INDIAN.

By MRS. ADA KERR WILSON, INDIAN SECRETARY.



MRS. ADA KERR WILSON.

THE FIRST missionaries sent to the Indians at the Warm Springs Agency were supported by the missionary societies and began their work among them in 1884. This same year the Allegheny Presbyterial Society built a parsonage there and the Mission Band at Springfield, Ohio paid for the bell in the church building.

In 1890 the General Assembly transferred to the Women's Board the entire management and support of the Indian work.

In 1891 another missionary was sent, to the second field in Oregon—Simnasho, about thirty miles distant from Warm Springs.

In 1903 another work was commenced, this time at Tama, Iowa, among the Sac and Fox Indians. Two lady missionaries commenced this work.

These stations, three in number, in which we as a denomination are especially interested, are situated in Oregon and Iowa. Three ministers and one lady

missionary are engaged in our work for the uplift of these people.

We own and maintain church buildings at Warm Springs and Simnasho and have a missionary residence at each station. It requires about five thousand (\$5000) dollars a year to carry on this work.

A few years ago the attitude of the native American was warlike. The missionary came to him in the role of "peace maker." The warlike instincts have been tamed and they have grown to love the avocations of peace. We have a church membership of 150.

The manner of living is primitive—families of eight or ten are crowded into one room. In this room is gathered all that is used in their housekeeping. This mode of living does not tend to a high degree of morality and is most uncomfortable.

Much of the work done by the missionaries is through ministration in their homes. A class in sewing is taught, and by example they are being taught cleanliness and better ways of preparing food. It is in this way the missionary gains their love and confidence.

We open wide our national doors to millions of foreigners. In a few years' time they are given the privilege of voting for our law makers. The native American has no such privilege. The story of his wrongs has been told repeatedly, but no wrong is greater than to withhold from him the knowledge of "The Love of God."

So we, the women of the church must heed the still small voice of Christian compassion and do all we can to shed the Light upon our Indians—the descendants of our very "first families," that the piteous blindness of their erring hearts may be penetrated.

THE STORY OF THE LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

BY MRS. J. W. HARSHA.

1891-1913.



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THE WOMEN'S General Missionary Society in May, 1891, authorized the Women's Board to appoint a Literature Committee to take charge of the publishing of leaflets for use in the Missionary societies and securing of such literature from other publishing boards as would be helpful to the work of the organization.

The Board appointed a committee in June, 1891. The first display of literature was made at the convention of the Women's General Missionary Society held in Philadelphia, Pa., May, 1892.

The first catalogue of literature was published in 1892 and contained a list of one hundred and twenty-eight leaflets bearing on Methods of Instruction, Appeal, History, Biography, Narrative and Giving, with special literature for Young Women's and Junior Societies.

The first leaflets published by the

Women's Board were, "Aunt Rosa of Assiut," by Miss Martha J. McKown, missionary to Egypt and "A Day's Itinerating in India," by Miss Rosa Wilson, missionary to India. The first published Annual Report of the Literature Committee shows:

Pieces of Literature sold 7,194.

Pieces of Literature free 4,100.

The last Annual report 1913 shows:

Mission Study Books sold 1,785.

Leaflets sold 42,122.

Junior and Little Light Bearers'

Supplies 856.

In addition to these there were many miscellaneous articles sold and many thousands of free leaflets sent out.

From 1891 to 1893 the Thank-Offering and Literature work were included in one department but the growth of both was such that in June, 1893 each was given a Secretary in charge of its special work. The members of the Women's Board who have served the Literature Department are: Mrs. Mary Clokey Porter, Mrs. Annie R. Herron, Mrs. J. A. Grier, Miss Emma Mabon, Miss Elizabeth Caughey, Mrs. John A. Crawford, Miss Susan E. McNall, Mrs. J. W. Harsha.

This in brief is the story of the growth and development of our Literature.

It seems hardly necessary to discuss the importance of missionary literature as a means of awakening interest in missions. The great missionaries whose life work has been determined by the reading of some book or leaflet are living testimonies to its importance. The question which concerns us most is how to persuade all our people to read the excellent material which is constantly being pre-

pared. The Home, the Junior Society, the Sabbath School, the Y. P. C. U., the Mission Study Class, the different Missionary organizations offer opportunities for all. From time to time excellent articles appear in our MAGAZINE telling

us of the importance and growth of missionary literature and full of suggestions and plans for having it read. May we all be alert to the need of supplying this fuel so necessary to keeping alive the fires of missionary zeal and effort.

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YOUNG WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

BY MISS IDA B. LITTLE, SECRETARY.



MISS IDA B. LITTLE.

THIS DEPARTMENT was established in 1903 with a general Secretary in charge. There were Young Women's societies years previous to this but they did not constitute a separate department. Sixty-eight organizations were reported in 1904; in April, 1913 there were two hundred and seventy-four with five thousand, seven hundred and twenty-one members.

The Presbyterian Young Women's Secretary being recommended, in 1903 two Presbyterials elected such officers. Now there are fifty. This secretary keeps in touch with her constituency, organizing

and stimulating societies, compiling the Presbyterian report from the blanks of local societies, forwarding the large blank to the General Secretary, who compiles the general report.

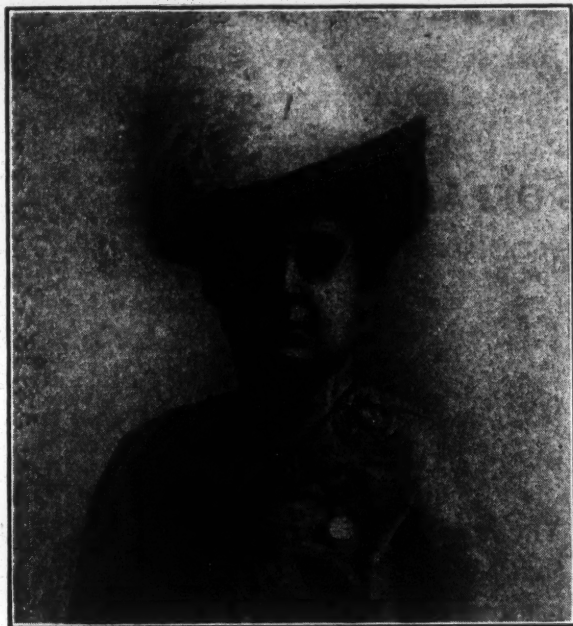
In 1906 special work was assigned the Young Women. It was recommended that an average of one dollar per member over and above other obligations, be given toward this fund for the support of certain missionaries. Five workers are supported as follows: Miss Roma Beatty, Missionary, Lyallpur and Miss Eleanor Maconachie, Nurse, Pathankot, India; salary of each \$550. Anna Boggs Watson, M. D., Tanta, Egypt, salary \$750. Miss Bertha Houston, Teacher, Frenchburg, Ky., salary \$450 for nine months. Miss Christianita Totten, Teacher, Henderson, N. C., salary \$420 for twelve months.

Being auxiliary to the Women's General Missionary Society, support should be given to both the foreign and home policy, contributing to each department according to ability. The payment to the Presbyterian expense fund entitles societies to enrollment in the General Society.

The Women's Missionary Magazine invites the talents of our young women to its pages. This applies not only to members of societies but to officers, local and Presbyterian. The printed page is a wonderful factor in hastening the Kingdom.

THE JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

By MRS. I. H. MILLIKEN, JUNIOR SECRETARY.



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DURING THE last twenty-one years since the first General Secretary of Junior work was elected the Junior Department has grown into an organization to be recognized as one of the most important in the entire work.

The object of the Junior work is two-fold, first and foremost, the education of the children along the lines of a Missionary nature, thereby impressing them with the prime importance of Missionary work among the other works of the church; second, securing the contributions of the children for the various departments of work under the care of the Women's General Missionary Society.

Statistics show us that in 1892 there were 155 Societies with 3,463 members, the contributions amounting to \$2,770; in 1913 there are 370 Societies with 13,321 members, the contributions amounting to \$12,056.60. The story behind the figures is interesting and gratifying, proving that the boys and girls of the church are awakening to their priv-

ilege of belonging to a Missionary Society of their own, as well as that their education in the art of giving is progressing. One means toward this end is their interest in their Junior Special which is teaching them to help in some definite way each year, so they plan and pray for the success of the project which is their own. They have bought land, helped to build schools, parsonages and rest homes, supported native girls in Egypt and India while in school, endowed beds in hospitals, and supported native Bible Women in Egypt, helping in all our fields and have contributed \$26,000.00 for this work.

For the next two years the Junior Special will be in the Homeland, building a Dormitory at Frenchburg, Ky. The amount asked for the two years is \$5,000. With encouragement from the members of the W. G. M. S. they can easily reach the goal.

THE FIVE HUNDRED PROCESSION.

READER, DO YOU KNOW THAT THE JUNIORS HAVE WORKED HARD TO RESPOND TO THE CALL FOR "THE FIVE HUNDRED PROCESSION," BUT THAT ONLY ABOUT TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY ARE IN THE LINE OF MARCH? HAVE THE MOTHERS AND MEMBERS OF THE WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY DONE ALL THEY COULD TO HELP TURN RIGHT SIDE UP THOSE FIGURES IN THE JUNIOR BLOCK ON THE MONUMENT OF GRATITUDE?

The training in the giving of Thank-Offering teaches the boys and girls to realize their blessings and thank the Heavenly Father for them. The first Junior Thank-Offering was in 1906 and in these seven years they have contributed \$23,346.

The growing boys and girls of today will be the workers and contributors of tomorrow; so the structure we build is not for today only but for time to come and it is essential that missionary training and right principles be instilled in their small minds, so that as they grow up into men and women such ideas will seem the only natural ones.

Give the little people the right start and a chance to develop so that when

the call comes, "Come over and help us" a well equipped army of trained workers will be ready to answer, "Here am I, send me."

JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP, TEN DOLLARS.

HAVE YOU NOT A SON OR DAUGHTER, NEPHEW OR NIECE OR FRIEND WHOM YOU COULD MAKE HAPPY BY SENDING A JUNIOR LIFE MEMBER CERTIFICATE AND IN THIS WAY SEND A BLESSING TO AN EGYPTIAN GIRL. IN TANTA?



THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY MAGAZINE.

BY MISS CARRIE M. REED, EDITOR AND BUSINESS MANAGER.



MISS CARRIE M. REED.

IN "MISSION Study for Juniors," the late editor of the Junior Missionary Magazine, Mrs. Wilson, wrote of "The Message and the Messengers;" then told us "How the United Presby-

terian Church plans to send the Message." She showed us how these plans give all a part in sending out God's message, but not the same part.

So in the Women's Board each of the fifteen members has her own special work for which she is responsible. The writer has been assigned the management of the "Wee Magazine," as Mrs. Wilson loved to call it. The work becomes fascinating when we see Jesus standing with hands outstretched toward heathen lands asking that His people "Carry the message—Carry the message" and when we catch sight of the great army of boys and girls who love to work—to do things.

In our Magazine we seek to give direction to their desire to be helpful to others, and by faith look forward to the future and see lives influenced by the missionary letters and pictures, minds enriched by the poems and stories and societies inspired by the reports of what others are doing.

"SPLENDID SEED."

"RICH SOIL."

"NONE BETTER."

"WATCH US GROW."

According to our mailing list for November, we sent out about 6200 copies, but we can do much better; and how happy we would be to report at the 1914 Convention that we had reached the goal for which Mrs. Stevenson was striving—10,000 names on our subscription list. For the small sum of twenty-five cents you can send the Magazine for twelve months to some child eager for the pic-

tures, stories, puzzles and the inspiration to be found between its covers. At club rates ten copies mailed to one address for one year will cost you but one dollar and the trouble of distribution.

If each new subscriber would secure but one new one, we would go far beyond the mark set for us. Your business manager being also the editor, finds it a delicate matter to urge people to subscribe and desires to enlist the cooperation of all Junior leaders especially. We believe there is much in the Magazine to interest the oldest readers, but if your reading table is too full to add this "wee" one, why not look around and see if there is not some child to whom it might be as a fountain of living water springing up into everlasting life?

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TEMPERANCE DEPARTMENT.

By MRS. R. C. MORTON, TEMPERANCE SECRETARY.

THE TEMPERANCE work of the W. G. M. S. being educational, is preventive rather than curative, It operates through the Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies.

Its object is to create, maintain and develop a strong earnest desire and determination to crush the liquor traffic, for the reason that it stands in direct opposition to the things that we as God's children stand for—viz., religion, true science, developement of the human race and decent living. We believe there is not a single human mind capable of portraying the perfidy, uncleanness, vileness, crushing cruelty and supreme lawlessness of this crowning destructive work of Satan.

The pen being such a mighty influence, we have chosen literature as our medium of education along temperance lines.

Most conscientiously do we endeavor to select from God's Word portions that



MRS. R. C. MORTON.

are calculated to teach His law concerning this matter, while from the writings of ministers, physicians, scientists, judges, lawyers, missionaries, teachers

and Christian workers we endeavor to inform, convince, warn, exhort, teach and enthuse our W. G. M. S. membership and others.

Our literature is free—Temperance Fund permitting.

PLAN OF WORK.

General Temperance Secretary to do *her utmost* to have a Presbyterial Temperance Secretary in each Presbyterial who will in turn do *her utmost* to have a Temperance Secretary in each Women's,

Young Women's and Juniors' Society in her Presbyterial, all working harmoniously together.

We aim to *teach* the contents of the literature and also use it as a basis for programs, discussions, etc.

The writer was elected General Temperance Secretary, Nov., 1908; in 1909 we reported 9 Presbyterial Temperance Secretaries; in 1910, 34; in 1911, 42; in 1912, 50; in 1913, 60 and 319 local secretaries, also 1083 pledge signers.



B EQUESTS ARE an important source of income for the work of the Women's General Missionary Society, and the Women's Board very gratefully acknowledges the receipt of the following legacies since April 15, 1912: \$300 from the estate of Mrs. Bell Lytle for Home Mission work; \$180 from the estate of Isabel I. Rodgers, \$90 to the Women's General Missionary Society and \$90 to Indian Missions; \$500 from the estate of Agnes McGeoch, E. Greenwich, N. Y., for Warm Spring Indians; \$1423.59, balance of legacy from the estate of Miss Eleanor Porterfield, N. S., Pittsburgh; \$1980.34 from the estate of Mary Boyle, N. S., Pittsburgh. God has called these dear workers home, but still their work goes on.

A BEQUEST TO THE WOMEN'S BOARD

IS A BETTER MONUMENT THAN

A GRANITE SHAFT.

WHY NOT PLAN FOR YOUR MONUMENT NOW?

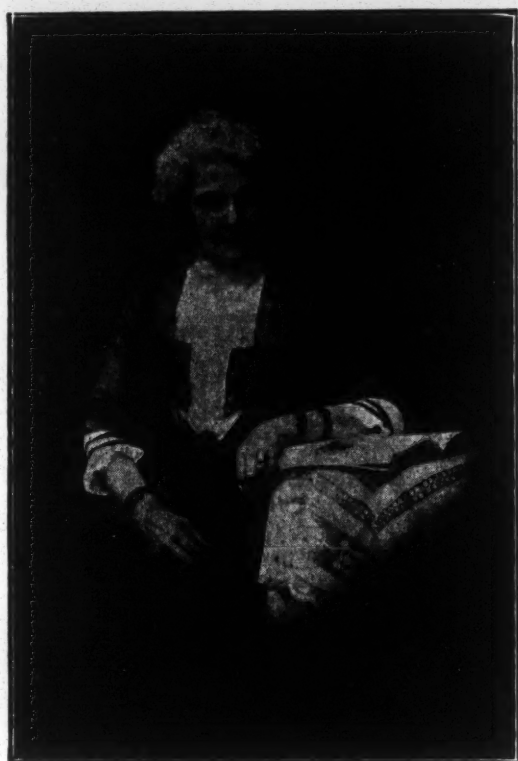


FREEDMEN'S DEPARTMENT.

BY MRS. SAMUEL YOURD, FREEDMEN'S SECRETARY.

W HEN THE Women's Board was organized in 1886 our church had but five mission stations in three states, namely: Knoxville, Tenn.; Chase City, Bluestone and Norfolk, Va., and Miller's Ferry, Ala. The Women's Missionary Societies contributed to the work for Freedmen through the Freedmen's Board, but no special work was undertaken by them until after the organiza-

tion of the Women's Board. The work has maintained a steady growth until now we have sixteen missions. In all of these schools, industrial work has been made a feature along with the literary and religious instruction. The industrial work for girls appeals to the women, and ever since the Women's Board was organized we have paid the salaries of the sewing



MRS. SAMUEL YOURD.

teachers. That this is a much needed art few will question. Girls enter school, in years old enough for High School, but some of them have never seen a thimble or used a needle. One such was reported last year who was so delighted when she realized that she could really hope to be able to "make things," that all play hours, and every possible moment she could get from other tasks were spent in the sewing room, and in a few months her teacher wrote, "That girl can cut, fit and make as neat a shirt waist as many professional dressmakers, of either color."

Gradually domestic science departments have been added to most of the schools, and teachers in the art of cooking and serving meals as well as the science of it, have been added to our list of workers. Girls enter school who have lived in a one-roomed cabin, have never sat down to a meal served upon a table, who have no idea of the use of knife and fork. Perhaps from a wooden spoon

they have drunk soup. To eat in close quarters at a table after the accustomed freedom of "All outdoors" requires some patience and practice to the uninitiated, and teaching this is one of the domestic science teacher's and matron's "first steps."

The work of the matrons of the boarding halls is closely allied to domestic science, beginning with *the how* of the daily bath and combing of the hair each day, in place of once a week; the care of clothes and what to wear, provided there is a choice; keeping beds clean and sanitary and rooms well aired and swept; constant and careful supervision of each and every article in each room for weeks until it is absolutely certain that there are present no "contraband" comrades. The matron is a real "house-mother." To her the pupil goes with the hard problem and a few hints as to what ought not to be done, and lo! the tangle is straightened out.

HOSPITALS.

In the two hospitals owned by our women—Robinson Memorial and Jubilee, the sick are cared for, nurses trained and there is no other training that is more essential than in caring for the sick. For the most part the negroes are compelled to live in the more undesirable parts of country, towns and cities and the authorities are very often negligent about sanitary conditions. There are in the Southland today, hundreds of negro doctors, some, yes, many of them, capable and succeeding in their profession, but the negro doctor can not hope to attain to the best in his profession without the help of the negro nurse.

A doctor tells this story as an illustration of ignorance in just common sense ministrations. A patient was suffering from chills. The doctor asked for hot water jugs and was told they

had no jugs. He then told them to heat their irons and wrap up and put to the feet of the patient; the next day the woman's husband came to tell him that her feet were all in a big blister, that "them irons" had just burnt them to the bone. Through ignorance a good remedy had been made a torture. It is the testimony of reliable people that in every community where our missions have been established, the standard of morality has been very decidedly raised.

The teaching of the Bible in the schools six days in the week as well as in the churches on the Sabbath, gives opportunity to leave the impress of it on hundreds of lives that must tell for good in the coming years. In the closing exercises of one of our schools recently one of the contests was that of a class of middle aged and older women reading the sermon on the mount, for honors, and it is a creditable ambition to be able to read the Bible well. In a recent baking contest in the city of Knoxville, Tenn., we note that the winner of prize No. 1 for the best cake is Mrs. Minnie Arter, wife of Rev. J. T. Arter, of Arlington, and a former pupil of Knoxville College. The winner of the second prize for cake was Mrs. W. J. Causler, presumably the wife of Prof. W. J. Causler, the first graduate of Knoxville College, and also a K. C. girl. There is no question as to the need for these mission schools. There is no question as to the

good they are doing. The question is, what do we know about this work, what are we doing for it. Have many of us ever prayed a prayer for the black brother of the United States, or given a dollar to help him put off the shackles of sin and ignorance that have been his heritage?

In our literature department you may get practical leaflets that will tell you where our buildings are located and how much they have cost. Our Annual reports tell you what our teachers are doing, and the Secretary will tell you that we need your prayers. We need your money, we need every dollar of the twenty-five thousand asked for this year. The improvements contemplated at Athens and Camden are completed. There are other urgent demands and all we ask of our friends is *our share* in your liberality for the advancement of His Kingdom to the uttermost parts of the earth—"Beginning at Jerusalem."

SEE THE ANNUAL REPORT,
JULY NUMBER, WOMEN'S
MISSIONARY MAGAZINE AND
LEARN OF THE NEED AND
PROGRESS OF THE FREED-
MEN MISSION UNDER CARE
OF THE WOMEN'S GENERAL
MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

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MINISTERIAL RELIEF.

THE OBJECT OF THIS DEPARTMENT IS TO ASSIST NEEDY MINISTERS, THE FAMILIES OF DECEASED MINISTERS AND ANY OF OUR WORKERS WHO ARE INCAPACITATED FROM ACTIVE SERVICE. ANY INFORMATION AS TO THE NEEDS OF SUCH PERSONS IS APPRECIATED, AND APPEALS FOR AID ARE CHEERFULLY RESPONDED TO AS WE ARE ABLE WITH THE FUNDS AT OUR DISPOSAL. THE AMOUNT EXPENDED EACH YEAR IS FROM \$1500 TO \$2000.

THE PARSONAGE DEPARTMENT.

By MRS. J. D. SANDS, PARSONAGE SECRETARY.



MRS. J. D. SANDS.

WE HEAR much these days about good equipment being essential to success in business enterprises, and this is equally true in the church's activities.

In the early days of United Presbyterian effort in establishing Mission congregations, it was found that with the house of worship must go a house for the pastor, if he were to remain and safely guide the work to a successful issue. In many places a suitable house could not be found to rent in the vicinity or rents were so far in advance of the pastor's ability to pay from the meager salary of a Home Missionary, that it became apparent the house must be provided for the missionary as well as the church building, from the Mission Funds of the church. To the Women's General Missionary Society was given the accomplishment of this work.

From the organization of the Women's Board, Parsonage work has always been recognized as a separate department and

always considered true mission work. At first only part of Parsonage aid was expected from our Women's Societies, but in the year 1902, the General Assembly transferred the entire responsibility for this work to them.

The funds in this department are not given absolutely gratis as in other missionary work, but are disbursed by loans at two per cent. per annum interest. These loans are made for not longer than ten years to be repaid in quarterly instalments, thus giving congregations an opportunity to secure permanent homes for their pastors at a minimum cost.

This systematic provision creates a permanent fund which is returned and used again and again, a continuous performance in giving cheering aid to weak congregations. These funds are not intended for congregations in general but for struggling mission stations.

Until the year 1911 this work was carried on only in the homeland when the Board took an advanced step and decided to extend aid in securing homes for the workers in our foreign fields. Now it knows neither East nor West, but gives help wherever the Mission Fields of the church require aid.

One loan has been made to the Sudan Mission and this year two applications have come from Egypt and one from India. To meet these calls abroad and the many at home, which are coming just as frequently as in former years, the cooperation and help of every society is necessary. Surely this work appeals to every home loving woman and will, we trust, command its pro rata of missionary contributions.

Each parsonage built tells its own happy story of home for the pastor, a

haven of rest for him, a place where he may rally and gather the people of his congregation from time to time for their entertainment, the cultivation of their social life and their developement along lines of Christian service, truly a light set on a hill.

The records show that since the organization of the Women's General Missionary Society over thirty years ago, one hundred and forty-eight congregations have received aid from the Parsonage Fund, and sixty-four have repaid the loans in full.

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TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' REVIEW OF THE THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT.

BY MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER, THANK-OFFERING SECRETARY.



MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER.

HISTORY REVEALS the fact that the Thank-Offering movement was born in an hour of the church's need. Twenty-five years ago the United Presbyterian church was suffering from lack of funds with which to carry on the work undertaken by its Mission Boards.

In 1887 appeals were sent forth for financial help, with but feeble response. Retrenchment was the alarm sounded forth with the hope of arousing the church from her lethargy. The alarm struck terror to the hearts of devoted

women and they began to question—How can the missionary societies help to meet the need of the hour?

To a dear aged "Mother in Israel" of Springfield, Ohio, God revealed the plan which gave the first impetus to the beautiful Thank-Offering movement that has enabled the Women's General Missionary Society, from year to year, to accept new trusts at the hands of the General Assembly and thus help to lighten the burdens of the church boards.

Through the Missionary Magazine committee the plan was submitted to the Women's Board in February, 1888 and was accepted. In the March number of the Magazine and in the church papers of March 29, 1888 the Board sent forth an appeal for every missionary society to give a special gift of gratitude to missions, over and above the regular contributions, to be known as the "Thank-Offering." Six weeks later at the annual convention of the Women's General Missionary Society held in Washington, Pa., the women of the church laid upon God's altar their first united Thank-Offering. It amounted to \$5,999.20 and was given by one hundred and forty-three societies, one congregation, one Freedmen's Station and seven individuals.

During a conference which followed the Thank-Offering service, at the request of the one who gave the first offering, it was decided to make the Thank-Offering a special feature of each year's annual convention.

From 1888 to 1901 no special effort was made to keep the subject of giving Thank-Offerings before the women of the church. In 1891 the Women's Board organized the Thank-Offering and Literature departments and placed the work in charge of a committee of the Board. In less than two years the two departments had grown to such proportions as to require a secretary for each. From that time the demands for helps in furthering the Thank-Offering movement form one continuous story of interest, progress and liberality. The helps provided by the Board largely took the form of special envelopes, boxes, leaflets, Scripture Responsive Services and monthly messages in *The Missionary Magazine*.

ENVELOPES.

The first Thank-Offering envelopes were supplied at small cost per dozen to societies in 1890. Since 1891, 908,000 have been sent out free, to Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies.

BOXES.

Boxes were first sent out in 1892, to help raise a special Thank-Offering, in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Women's General Missionary Society to be held, May, 1893 in Omaha, Neb. In July, 1892 the Board distributed 33,000 boxes, 33,000 circular letters, 30,000 copies of leaflet "Thanksgiving Ann," 800 letters to pastors, 60 letters to presidents of Presbyterials and 300 letters to congregations not having organized societies. From 1892 to 1913, 488,307 boxes were sent out free to societies.

The missionary societies in Egypt have been supplied with plain white boxes since 1902 and lettered in Arabic in Cairo. The societies in India prefer to use earthen jugs.

PRINTED MESSAGES.

The *Missionary Magazine* for thirteen years has published from two to six pages each month on giving in its Thank-Offering Department.

From 1892 to 1913 the Board has distributed 1,201,198 pieces of literature on "giving." With the exception of "Thanksgiving Ann"—the leaflet sent out with the first boxes—the Board has published all of its own Thank-Offering literature. Material for five leaflets was selected from writers outside the church and manuscripts for five others were furnished by its members.

The first leaflet published by the Board was "Aunt Rosa of Assiut," a story of a native Egyptian convert, written by Miss Martha J. McKown, a missionary who at the time was almost blind. The manuscript, written with a typewriter, had the lines so overlapped that it was only with the aid of a powerful microscope that the words could be copied for publication.

The one leaflet that merits special mention is a compilation of Scripture entitled, "Why I Give a Daily Thank-Offering"—A Bible Book-Mark. Within six months after samples were sent out in 1907, 52,000 copies were ordered by societies of the United Presbyterian church and 33,000 copies were sold to eight boards of other denominations. The missionary societies in Cairo, Egypt had 500 copies printed in Arabic for their own use.

SCRIPTURE RESPONSIVE SERVICES.

The first printed service was, "The Christian Life" for use at the annual

convention of May, 1894. Since that time a new service has been published every year for use at the congregational "Ingatherings" of Offerings. Of late years the Junior Societies have been supplied with services peculiarly their own. Since 1894 the Board has furnished 309,000 copies of services at small cost.

SPECIAL OFFERINGS.

In addition to the regular Thank-Offerings five special anniversary offerings have largely increased the enthusiasm and zeal in the movement, besides bringing large gifts into the treasury. The Special offering given in 1893 in celebration of the tenth anniversary of the Women's General Missionary Society was \$37,000. The Twentieth Century offering of 1900 was \$40,000 and in 1908, \$76,000 was given in recognition of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Women's General Missionary Society. Of this sum over \$12,000 was paid as Life Membership fees and "Yards of Dimes," counting fifty dimes to the yard.

During the celebration of fifty years of women's organized work for foreign missions, in 1910-11 by all denominations the women and children of the United Presbyterian Church gave in cash and in pledges, running from two to seven years, the sum of \$54,000.

The year 1912 marks an era in which enthusiasm, zeal, liberality and consecrated service have never been equalled. In observing the quarter centennial of the Thank-Offering movement the gifts paid into the treasury of the Women's Board amounted to \$94,315.18.

Total offerings 1888-1912, \$831,031.08.

Offerings reported from the foreign fields, 1902-1912, not included in the above: India, \$1,582.80; Egypt, \$7,876.13; Total, \$9,458.93.

DISBURSEMENTS.

The Women's Board after paying out sums designated largely by individuals to outside objects, disbursed the remainder of the Thank-Offering as follows: To Foreign Missions, \$314,577.53; to Home and Indian, \$120,728.06; to Freedmen, \$153,652.64; to Parsonage Department, \$83,337.32; to Ministerial, \$4,089.75.

The missionary societies in India and Egypt disburse their offering to needy places in their own fields and in the Sudan.

ENCOURAGEMENTS.

1. That at all times God has bestowed upon the feeble efforts of His co-workers His smile of approval.
2. That the twin sisters—Contributions and Thank-Offerings—have existed in the closest harmony, each doing its full part, under God's blessing in extending and strengthening Christ's Kingdom.
3. That the spirit of unity has bound all more closely together as workers and givers and that through praying and giving they have each year been drawn nearer to Him whose name they love to honor, "that name that is above every name."

THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY MAGAZINE

Doubtless our readers agree with all that we have said from time to time of the value of our own and other missionary periodicals for the study and support of Christian Missions. Indeed the increased interest in the study of missions and the wider circulation of our Magazine are parallel with the support of missions as projected by our Women's Board. Dependable support of Missions is procured through intelligent interest in missions and the means of awakening this interest is largely through the printed page. The human voice alone is not adequate to carry the missionary message under all circumstances to every individual.

It is difficult to have an interest in missions and not have some plan for study.

The Women's Missionary Magazine has furnished its readers with carefully prepared articles on topics assigned for study. To provide for these year after year and illustrate the same, there must necessarily be an outlay of money as well as much



MRS. W. C. HUTCHISON.
Editor 1886-1913.

Following Mrs. Hutchison's resignation from active duties she was made Honorary Member of the Magazine Committee by the Women's Board.

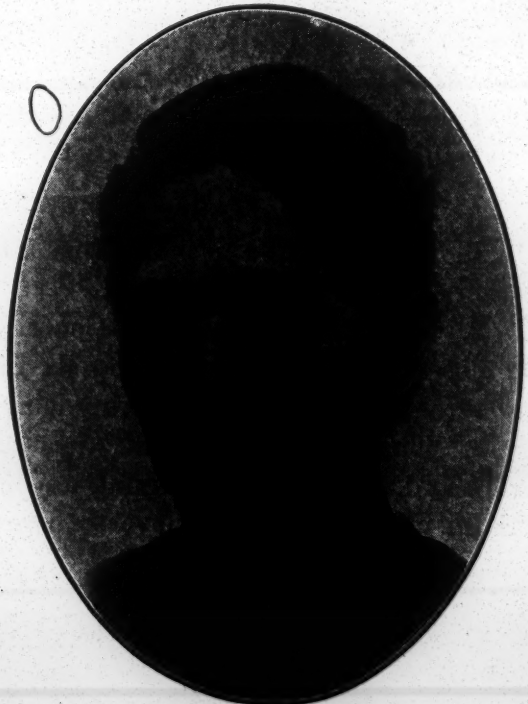
time required. If we are to maintain this high standard of a missionary magazine we need the support of a larger circulation of its pages.

If the women of our church are to accomplish the work they have undertaken, we need to know of the fields in order to pray intelligently. The Women's Missionary Magazine during its twenty-seven years of publication has enjoyed the loyal support of an increasing number of readers. At no time has the Magazine stinted its pages; though increasing its size at least ONE FOURTH it has not changed its first price of subscription. We believe the Women's Missionary Magazine has a greater work to do than it has ever undertaken and a larger field of usefulness than it has ever entered. We believe that when plans are projected for this greater service of our Magazine in interest

of the cause of our own Missions the same loyal support in behalf of its labors will be continued by the women of the United Presbyterian Church.
M. E. M.



MRS. GEORGE M. MOORE
Editor.



MRS. S. M. KELSO
Secretary and Treasurer.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

INDIA.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Pasrur, India, Nov. 15, 1913.

Dear Friends:

We have wondered why God would not let the Sialkot Convention be held this year. Perhaps we had come to depend on the Convention itself to bring about the blessing we wanted, and our Lord wished to show us that He is not limited as to means, and He will give us, whenever we seek with a true heart, that which we long for and He wants to give. There was much prayer that we might not miss what God would have given us at the Convention, and He gave us more than we had asked or hoped for at our Annual Meeting. It would be hard to tell of the heart-searching, of the emptying of self, of the renewed consecrations, and of the joy of being accepted in the Beloved.

The prayer-room was full every evening and often crowded, and many times prayer continued far into the night. Also during the day as opportunity afforded many went there to meet with God.

The messages which came to many hearts during the devotional meetings will never be forgotten, but the messages and victories did not stop then but continued through the business sessions as well until the close of the Annual Meeting. We are always happy in the fact that we are like one big family at our Annual Meeting, but never before was there such oneness of spirit and purpose manifested, and this was because all desired to forget self and to do His will.

The answered prayers during our meetings drew us nearer together and nearer to God. He restored those who were ill—and some were quite ill—and we rejoiced in that.

Death of Little Mary Nesbitt.

We wondered when we left for home why Mary Nesbitt was not better, and as

word came that she still had no relief, we wondered and kept on praying. But God wanted another flower for His garden and on November 3 took her to Himself.

The Nesbitt family, with the new and other returning missionaries arrived during our Annual Meeting and Mary seemed so well. She attended the children's meetings for several days and her sweet voice was heard in prayer and praise. She suddenly became ill and during her sickness she suffered a great deal. Those who waited by her bedside were impressed by her sweet thoughtfulness of others. She would preface her requests with, "If it would not be too much trouble, would you please, etc." And her patience was remarkable.

Before she died she became very weak and with great difficulty was able to say anything. Her mother asked her if she wanted to go to heaven to be with Jesus. She said, "Go to Jesus," and just before the end she said, "Papa," "Mamma." Just as she passed away the foreign mail came. She had written to her aunt, Miss Hadley, who was unable to return to India with them, twice on the journey out, and there was a letter to Mary from her aunt in reply, in the foreign mail. She wrote, "By the time that you get this letter you will know where you are going to be. You must write and tell me how you like your new home." Mary and Janet had had great plans about what they would do in their new home, but they little knew what a glorious home Mary was going to have! We all know that she likes it.

The funeral services were held in the hall room of the Girls' Boarding School, Sialkot and the room was filled with the young school girls, missionary and Indian friends. As Mary lay in her white casket among beautiful chrysanthemums and palms and as she was laid away in the little white-lined grave it was all so sweet and comforting. Little

three-year old Nancy said, "Mary is up in heaven, we just put her body in the cradle,"

There is a vacant place in the new Indian home at Pasrur which she did not see, but India's dust is now precious to the Nesbitt family.

Yours sincerely,

E. JOSEPHINE MARTIN.

THE ANNUAL MEETING.

It would take more skill than I possess to convey to you even a faint idea of our Annual Meeting. We began Oct. 15. Our meeting was held in the Christian Training Institute for boys. The yard was filled with tents and the largest was the dining tent. Here we met as a large family for our meals.

For the few days before the Annual Meeting while the entertainment committee was busy looking after the pitching of the tent and arrangement of furniture in the school dormitories, the missionaries of 1912 were busy taking their first language examination. Perhaps no freshman ever approached his first examination in college with more fear and trembling, and I am just as sure that no one was ever happier over having finished an examination than they were.

It fills us all with hope and makes us feel young again to see their joyous anticipation in taking up their active service. By the time you are reading this they will all be out in the villages using all they have learned and learning new lessons in loving our dear Punjabis!

We were happy to greet the new and returning missionaries of 1913, during the Annual Meeting. The young ladies of the party arrived before five one morning, but none of us felt it a hardship to get up so early to meet them. All were present by Saturday evening and it was a happy missionary family that met on the Communion Sabbath.

On Tuesday evening we had a recep-

tion for them. It was held in the big dining tent. Light refreshments were served and then we told them how glad we were to have them with us and they told us how glad they were to be here.

As the hour grew later a group gathered about the organ and sang college songs and other old songs. We could almost forget we were in India. I heard afterwards that one of the new girls was so excited she couldn't sleep! Perhaps she never thought it would be possible to have such a good time after she became a missionary.

The business sessions began Monday morning with the election of officers. From that time, for eight days, every waking hour was full. We had two sessions each day from 8 A. M. until 11 and 2 P. M. until 5. Between times there were committee meetings and a little baseball and tennis. One evening our neighbors, the Scotch missionaries, invited us to tea and tennis.

During the meetings every phase of mission work was looked into and discussed as the various boards and committees reported the work done and their plans for advancing or strengthening existing work. Location of Missionaries, opening of new schools, closing old ones, finances, opening of dispensary, advancing into unoccupied territories, plans to educate 8000 village girls, the College, the Seminary, Boys' Schools and Girls' Schools, Evangelistic work and many, many more subjects were all discussed and planned for.

The advancing and establishment of His Kingdom was the purpose of our plans and prayers and it was with hearts full of joy and thanksgiving for blessings received that we turned our faces towards our stations eager to enter into the work of another year, more conscious than ever of His blessing and presence.

Your truly,

KATE A. HILL,

Sangla Hill,

Nov. 4, 1913.

EDITORIAL.

Again Time's Dial doth remind us all
that we have left behind another year.

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A Happy New Year to our readers,
one and all.

But this happiness must be wrung by
each one from the New Year! Wishing
will not bring it. It can not even be
coaxed from it. Love, service, obedience,
diligence in business, contentment in
God's ways, faithfulness to what He has
committed to us, these are the essentials
and when this *New Year*, like all its
predecessors, shall have become old, may
it carry with it more of the meaning of a
"Happy New Year" than is often con-
veyed in the formal greetings of the
festive season, so that—

What'er the future may have in store,
Of sunshine or shadow deep,
Dear Master, I pray Thee, more and more,
My friend in Thy presence keep,
So that in the days of each New Year
The soul shall be growing new,
For this is the blessing I wish thee, dear,
Be noble and pure and true.

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This January number is the Women's
Board number, one of the most con-
densed editions of the work of our Wo-
men's Board that it has ever been our
privilege to issue. There is information
and inspiration in every line. Our wo-
men need not be ignorant of the begin-
nings and progress of our missionary
enterprise.

We are indebted to Mrs. J. P. White,
who has charge of "The King's Busi-
ness," the six months' study, for the
conception and plan to bring this study
so near to our own interests. We know
our readers will prize this number—
making their acquaintance with the wo-

men who have been entrusted with our
missionary work.

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Keep in mind the success of all this
work is prayer, gifts, work; any one of
these someone has as her talent to be
used for the Kingdom of Jesus Christ.

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If *One thousand "One Dollar Bills"*
are received by the treasurer of "*Hanna
Memorial Fund*" during the month of
January the top figure on the Monu-
ment of Gratitude will turn for joy!

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THE THIRTY-FIRST ANNUAL CONVEN- TION, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

MAY 12-15, 1914.

A MESSAGE TO THE WOMEN OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

It may not be too early to send a fore-
word of greeting, in this New Year's
month, to the United Presbyterian Wo-
men with reference to our General Mis-
sionary Convention at Philadelphia, May
12-15, 1914.

Naturally, it is Philadelphia's desire
to give to the delegates and visitors of
that Convention a hearty welcome, and
to have the loving spirit of such recep-
tion, to characterize all your stay here.
In these respects, previous Conventions
have had a marked standard of excel-
lence, by virtue of the service of Local
Committees and their supporters, along
with the mutual response of those attend-
ing the Convention.

These qualities, so well displayed here-
tofore in places outside of Philadelphia,
are worthy of being imitated in 1914.
If the reciprocity, before mentioned, can
be equalled, or possibly increased, it

will be helpful to our next Convention. Arrangements will be made known in due time.

Just now, the planning of the program should be remembered. It is said there are no program specialities this year, yet the ever present subjects and regular departments of work will secure more concentrated attention with fuller appreciation. The privilege of being a representative or visitor at the 1914 Philadelphia Convention will be in many ways unsurpassed. If any of our organizations have not yet appointed persons to attend, we trust that it will be done, and that all can be here. Faith looks forward to realizing this, and the carrying out of Convention resolutions with their plans for spiritual and material fruitfulness at home and abroad. Faith also looks up to the Master as the Author and Finisher of it. Means are used in entire dependence upon the divine blessing. (Ps. 127:1, 2; John 15:5.) With this in mind, will not personal and united prayers be offered for the Convention? The Hearer of prayer most willingly gives His spirit for all redemption purposes, among which all missionary objects in this land and every other continent and island, are included. So will the kingdoms of this world become those of our Lord and His Christ. Again greeting you, as in the words of 1 Cor. 1:3-9, we remain,

Sincerely yours,

THE LOCAL COMMITTEE,
Philadelphia, Jan. 1, 1914.

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The following item belongs to the Women's Board report, page 240:

It was with great pleasure the Board listened to the kind invitation from our new Presbyterial in Spokane, Washington, to the Women's General Missionary Society to meet with them in 1915.

DR. ADA M. WATSON

Again our Women's Board has been called to part with a loyal helper, our beloved physician, Dr. Ada M. Watson who entered into life eternal, Dec. 17, 1913.

She was a very valuable member of our medical board and took great pains to give all the applicants for missionary appointment a very careful medical examination. She fully realized the demands made upon the physical strength of missionaries as her sister Dr. Anna Watson who lovingly ministered to her during the past months had been in Tanta, Egypt for many years.

She was a member of the Staff of Columbia Hospital for years; was also a member of the faculty of the Margaret Morrison Carnegie School in Pittsburgh and consulting physician. She was a member of the Allegheny Co. Medical Society and President of the Woman's Medical Society of Pittsburgh.

She was an active member of the Young Ladies' Missionary Society of the 6th Church, Pittsburgh. Dr. Watson leaves one brother, Mr. John H. Watson of New Athens, Ohio; four sisters, Mrs. McKee of Cleveland; Dr. Anna Watson of Tanta, Egypt and the Misses Bessie and Florence of New Athens.

Thus one of the strongest professional women in our church has been "called home." Pray that those whom she loved so well may receive the consolations of the Comforter.

"We must be patient, while we mourn with weeping

Her vanished face;
God hath taken but to add more beauty,
And a divine grace."

MRS. H. C. CAMPBELL,

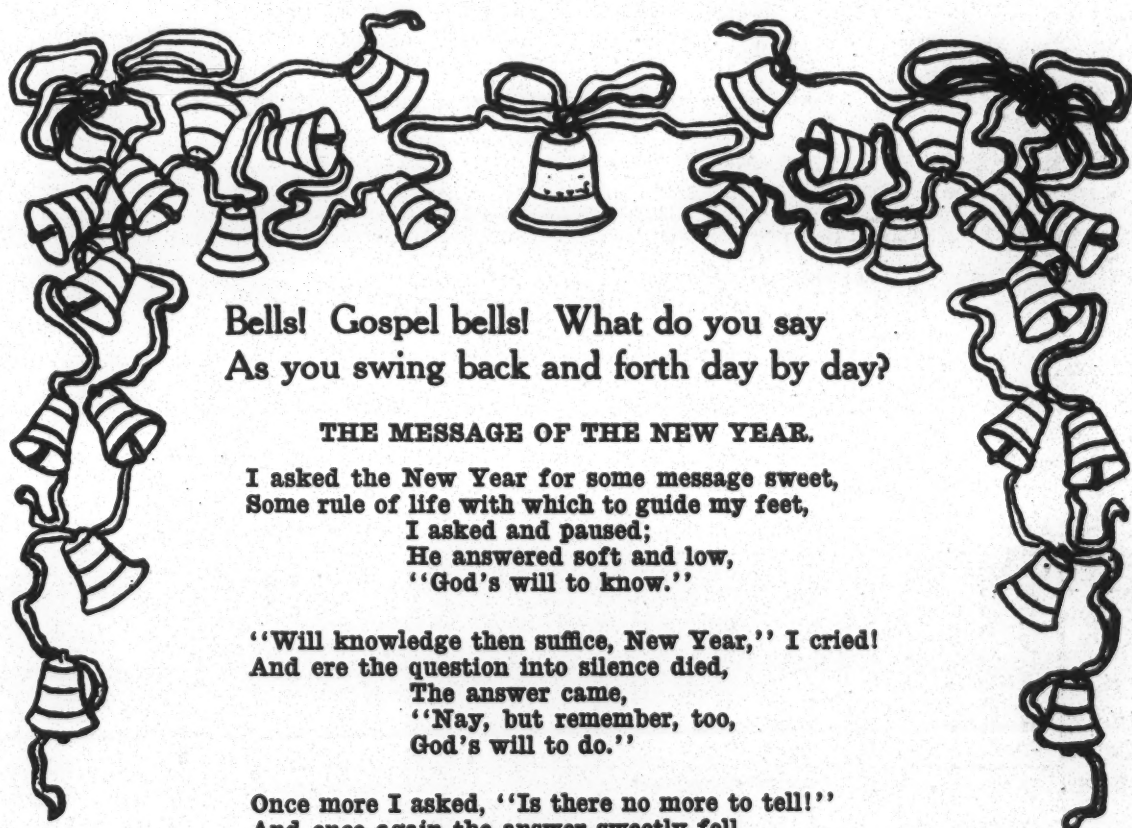
Foreign Secretary.

THANK-OFFERING DEPARTMENT

EDITED BY MRS. MARY CLOKEY PORTER

15 Marshall Ave., North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Bells! Gospel bells! What do you say
As you swing back and forth day by day?

THE MESSAGE OF THE NEW YEAR.

I asked the New Year for some message sweet,
Some rule of life with which to guide my feet,
I asked and paused;
He answered soft and low,
"God's will to know."

"Will knowledge then suffice, New Year," I cried!
And ere the question into silence died,
The answer came,
"Nay, but remember, too,
God's will to do."

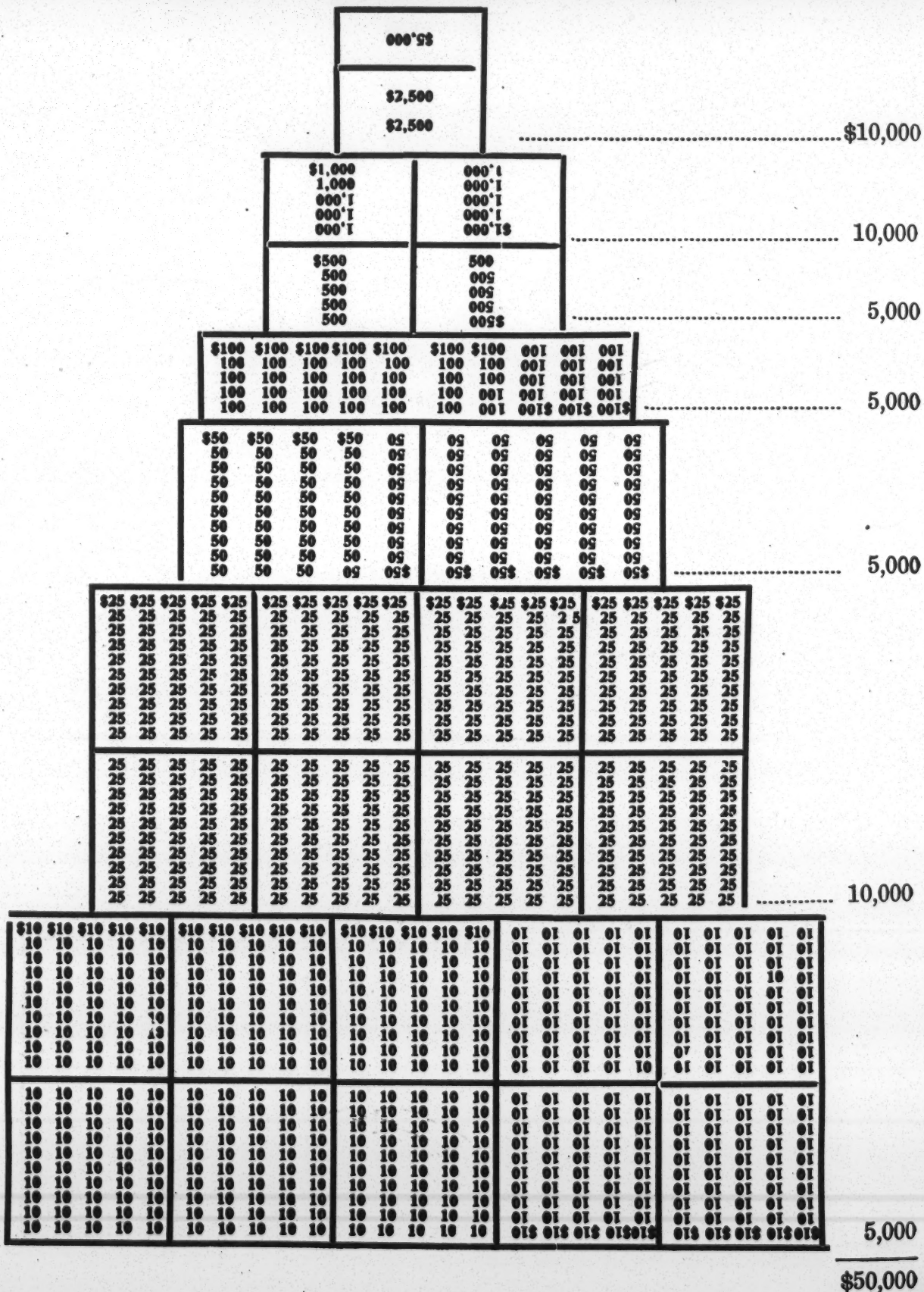
Once more I asked, "Is there no more to tell!"
And once again the answer sweetly fell,
"Yes! this one thing
All other things above,
God's will to love."

"Reveal thy purpose more and more,
Upon us all thy grace bestow;
Help us in faith each day to grow,
For from an unseen, unknown shore,
The New Year comes."

A MONUMENT OF GRATITUDE

IN CELEBRATION OF THE TWENTY-FIFTH THANK-OFFERING OF THE
WOMEN'S GENERAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY
UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

WANTED! \$50,000
FOR WHAT? Girls' Boarding School
WHERE? Tanta, Egypt
WHEN? Before December 1, 1913.
HOW? By Senior and Junior Life Membership Fees and Special Gifts



NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE.

In the beginning of every good work it is fitting that the workers should study to know how to become *ideal* workers in God's sight.

Since the thank-offering year closed with the congregational "Ingatherings" in the Fall, many faithful workers are asking, "What can we do to become ideal in our work—as Presbyterials—as Societies—as individuals?"

Let the following help to answer the question:

Who is an Ideal Presbyterian Thank-
Offering Secretary?

ONE who "does with her might whatsoever her hand findeth to do."

ONE who loves her work and who by precept and example keeps the subject of giving to God gifts of gratitude before societies.

ONE who makes her Thank-Offering work an object of daily prayer.

ONE who will keep in close touch with all her Women's, Young Women's and Junior Societies through letters and addresses.

ONE who will persevere until she has the name and address of a Thank-Offering Secretary in every society.

ONE who helps to establish a Thank-Offering Circle in every congregation that has failed to organize a Missionary Society.

ONE who carefully and prayerfully studies the Women's Missionary Magazine from month to month with the purpose of keeping her work up-to-date.

ONE who patiently answers all letters of inquiry *promptly*, and encourages communications from her constituency.

ONE who keeps the work and needs of the Thank-Offering Department prominent before her Presbyterial, and claims a place on every program.

ONE who plans and pushes her work so as to have each year an increase in offerings over the previous year.

ONE who sends out the Thank-Offering blanks to all societies in her Presbyterial not later than the middle of November each year and perseveres until she gets all returned to her, well filled in with reports before the close of the year.

ONE who having compiled from the blanks an annual report for her Presbyterial, sends a copy of it with all the society blanks to the General Secretary during the month of January.

ONE who cheerfully commends every society that has, during the year, made some increase in gifts, and who gently reminds the delinquent ones of the need of putting forth special effort for more liberality during the coming year.

ONE who strives to make her work more efficient each year, and is willing to remain in office as long as God calls her to that special work for Him.

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What is an Ideal Congregational
Thank-Offering Committee:

A permanent committee that is composed of the President and one active member and liberal giver from each missionary society.

ONE that has the subject of giving kept before every society from month to month, through the distribution of helpful literature and through messages upon charts or blackboards.

ONE that early each year sees to having at least one senior Thank-Offering box in every home and Junior boxes placed in all homes where there are children under fifteen years of age.

ONE that begins early in the Fall to plan for the Annual "Ingathering" and aims to have each succeeding service more interesting and more inspiring than the previous one.

ONE that keeps the last offering prominent before the societies and puts forth persistent effort to have each Women's and Young Women's Society on the Honor Roll by doubling its offering and each Junior organization win a similar place by giving an average of one dollar per member as Thank-Offering.

ONE that has its Secretary give due notices of "Ingatherings" from the pulpit, and send out invitations to attend—(printed or otherwise)—to all the women whose names are upon the church roll and adherents, whether members of societies or not.

ONE composed of women so deeply consecrated to this special work, that they will keep in mind that the Thank-

Offering work is the Lord's, and who know no fear in personally soliciting liberal gifts from all who are financially able to give.

ONE that will render cheerful aid to the Magazine agent in efforts to introduce the Women's Missionary Magazine and the Junior Magazine into every home.

ONE that begins, continues and ends all efforts in prayer.

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Who is an Ideal Thank-Offering Giver?

ONE who ever strives to stir up her own heart to gratitude, by keeping watch for the blessings and mercies which God daily bestows upon her.

ONE who sees good in everything that comes into her daily life, and who proves her gratitude through frequent offerings that others less blessed may come to know and love the "Giver of every good and perfect gift."

ONE who strives by precept and practice to create and deepen the true spirit of gratitude in the hearts of others.

ONE who makes faithful use of her Thank-Offering box, and thus helps to make it a real "blessing box" in her home.

ONE who accompanies every gift placed in her box with a prayer.

ONE who will practice self-denial (if necessary) to contribute a special gift for God's special mercies and blessings to her and hers.

ONE who is never satisfied with giving her offering annually, when very many of the blessings which call for recognition in form of gifts have been forgotten, but who follows the Scripture rule to give regularly, systematically and proportionately into the Lord's Treasury.

ONE who at the beginning of her Thank-Offering year—which is the day she will have given her previous year's offering into the treasury—resolves to place in her Thank-Offering box a certain sum each day or each week, however small it must needs be, and as special blessings come into her life, she adds a special offering.

ONE who studies to know the work of the Women's General Missionary Society which the Thank-Offerings help to support—in order to be an intelligent giver.

ONE who gives and gives and continues to give until she learns to love to give, so that all her gifts become real love offerings in the sight of her Lord.

QUESTION.

Reader! Do you ask, "Who is sufficient for these things?"

Listen! The Scriptures answer: God is able to make all grace abound unto you: that ye having always all sufficiency in everything may abound unto every good work: ye being enriched in everything unto all liberality which worketh in us thanksgiving to God. 2 Corinthians 9:8-11.

For the grace of liberality—"Ask and ye shall receive. Seek and ye shall find."

What will result? Enlarged contributions, more liberal thank-offerings and a deepened spirit of gratitude in all parts of the church.

THE "MONUMENT OF GRATITUDE."

As the money credited on the "Monument" in this January Magazine was given previous to the middle of December it has been impossible to credit the special gifts and life membership fees paid into the treasury of the Women's Board during the last two weeks of the Old Year. Hence the interested readers are asked to keep watch for the figures in the coming February Magazine and through prayer and effort help to turn all the figures right side up.

May we not have a model "Monument" with the full \$50,000 credited on it to present to the Annual Convention to be held in Philadelphia, May, 1914.

REMEMBER.

Every dollar of the \$50,000 needed for the Girls' Day and Boarding School, Tanta, Egypt must be in the treasury of the Women's Board before the building can be begun. "No Debt" is the rule of the Women's General Missionary Society.

SPECIAL GIFTS.

Young Ladies' Bible Class, First Italian Church, Pittsburgh, Pa. in memory of Miss Sarah Gilmore Scott.

Miss Maggie Reynolds, Kirkwood, Ill. in memory of her mother, Mrs. Sarah Reynolds.

W. M. S., Mercer Presbyterial.

To furnish Superintendent's room in Girls' School, Tanta, Egypt, by Y. P. C. U. of Rock Island Presbytery, in memory of Miss Adelle McMillan who served twelve years as missionary in Egypt.

Mrs. Lina Boyd Eachel, Beaver, Pa. A second gift in memory of her son, Lewis G. Boyd, who was buried in Mandalay, Upper Burma, India.

To furnish the "guest room" in Girls' School, Tanta, Egypt, by Miss Anna Wilson, Sewickley, Pa.

W. M. S., Kansas City Presbyterial. A friend for the "Monument of Gratitude."

Miss E. Jennie Graham, Carrollton, Ohio.

Toward a tablet in Tanta Girls' School Building, by W. M. S., Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Mrs. Anna Clokey Drury, Troy, O.

**THE "FIVE HUNDRED PROCESSION."
JUNIOR LIFE MEMBERS.**

\$10.00 Each.

Mary Hadley Nesbit, India. By W. M. S. and Juniors, Sterling, Kans.

Elizabeth McCallister Trimble, Francis H. Trimble, Jr., Ben Avon, Pa. By their parents.

John Harvey Trimble, 11, Ben Avon, Pa. By his mother.

John Ray Loudon, Mars, Pa. By his mother.

John Calvin Kelso, Canonsburg, Pa. By his parents.

Lois Anna Loudon, Canonsburg, Pa. By her sisters Jean and Ruth Loudon.

Dorothy Margaret McNeeley (3 years of age,) Aspinwall, Pa. By Mrs. I. H. Milliken.

Ruth Virginia McNeeley (age 18 months,) Valencia, Pa. By Mrs. I. H. Milliken.

Florence Erskine, Aspinwall, Pa. By her mother.

Irene Nevin, Elwood City, Pa.

Helen Shremp, Beaver, Pa. By her mother.

Robert Thomas Shank and Roscoe Harvey Shank, Scotch Ridge, O.

Homer H. Maxwell, Valencia, Pa. By having earned the money.

Mary Rowena Barr and Margaret Jean Barr, New Wilmington, Pa. By their mother.

John Crawford Park, Jr., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. By his parents.

Anna Grace Sowash, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. By Mrs. Caw.

John Reed Miller, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. By Mrs. Catherine George.

Alfred Wilbur Wishart, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa. By friends.

(The last four are 8th Church Juniors, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.)

Milford Vance Yarnelle, Lodi, Wis. By women of the congregation of Arlington, Wis.

Pauline Crawford Morgan, Imperial, Pa. By Mrs. N. W. McNall and Mrs. Stewart Morgan.

Buelah May Tilton and Alma Mary Tilton, Bulger, Pa.

Alice Penrose Bell, Brooklyn, Cleveland, O.

Sarah Elizabeth Wishart, N. S. Pittsburgh, Pa.

Robertta Elizabeth Loudon and Ronald English Loudon (twins,) Mars, Pa.

Margaret E. Ballentyne, (India,) Xenia, Ohio.

The last five by a friend through the Junior Society, 1st Church, Allegheny, Pa.

Duncan McCulloch Anderson, Pittsburgh, Pa. By his parents.

Helen Rogers, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Elizabeth Charters, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her parents.

Margaret Richey, Pittsburgh, Pa. By her parents.

George Taylor, Jr. and Robert Taylor, Pittsburgh, Pa. By their mother.

The last four are Juniors of 3rd Church, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Esther Taylor and Mary Carroll, Juniors of Robinson Run Congregation, McDonald, Pa.

Kathleen Crumm, Canonsburg, Pa. By her aunt, Mrs. James Farmer.

Anna Elizabeth Glass, Bulger, Pa.

Elizabeth Witherspoon, Burgettstown, Pa.

Elizabeth Bell, Imperial, Pa.

Robert Collins Hayes, Bulger, Pa.

Mary B. Reid, Pittsburgh, Pa. By a friend in memory of her grandmother, the late Mrs. Mary B. Reid.

Elinor Margo Sowash, Omdurman, Sudan. By Mrs. McKee's S. S. class of young women, Sebring, O.

Helen Arnot Wilson, Bellevue, Pa. By her father through the Junior Society, Shady Side, Pittsburgh, Pa., in memory of her grandmother, the late Mrs. John A. Wilson for whom she is named.

Edith Irene Humphrey and Harold Imbrie Humphrey, Slippery Rock, Pa. By their mother.

Catherine Elizabeth Brown, Indianapolis, Ind. By Mrs. W. E. McKee.

Margaret Ruth Winter, Duncanville, Ill. By her aunt, Miss May Winter.

SENIOR LIFE MEMBERS.

\$25.00 Each.

Miss Mary T. Clements, Oakmont, Pa.

Mrs. John I. Gordon, Mercer, Pa.

Mrs. Bruce Atkins, Dunreith, Ind.

Miss Laura Cleland, Sargodha, Punjab, India. By W. M. S., 6th Church Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Hulda Painter, Butler, Pa. Memorial to husband, J. M. Painter.

Mrs. J. Collins Greer, Caridge, Pa.

Mrs. George M. Greer, Murrys ville, Pa.

Mrs. Wilda M. Burneson, West Bridge-water, Pa.

Mrs. W. H. Butler, New Castle, Pa.

Mrs. J. S. Lindsay. By W. M. S., Second, New York.

Miss Ella Belle Downie, Egypt. Christmas Gift from Y. W. M. Society, 1st Church, Cleveland, Ohio.

Mrs. L. M. Deahl. By Juniors. Robinson Run, Pa.

Mrs. Lilian Brandon. By W. M. S., Grove City, Pa.

Mrs. William Huggart, Grove City, Pa.

Mrs. Abigail Robb Findley. By Mrs. S. E. Findley, Portland, Ore.

Mrs. Amanda Haltnorth. Birthday Gift by Women's Association, First, New Castle, Pa.

Mrs. Samuel Shane. By W. M. S., Robinson Run, Pa.

Mr. Mac Kelso, McDonald, Pa. By his parents.

Mrs. Thomas C. Pollock, Aspinwall, Pa.

Mrs. W. N. Marshall, Aspinwall, Pa.

Mrs. John McIlvaine, Emsworth, Pa.

Mrs. William G. Anderson, Emsworth, Pa.

Mrs. R. D. McElvany, Emsworth, Pa.

Miss Margaret Trimble, Emsworth, Pa.

Miss Rachel E. Magill, Sharpsburg, Pa. By "I'll Try" S. S. Class, East Union, Pa.

Mrs. J. M. Dickson, Youngstown, Ohio.

Mrs. A. H. Buehrle, Youngstown, O.

Miss Anne Dinsmore, Brighton, N. Y. Christmas gift by Mrs. John Heslip, Youngstown, Ohio.

Mrs. Rebecca Armstrong, Christmas Gift by W. M. S., Tabernacle U. P. Church, Youngstown, Ohio.

Mrs. Margaret Adams. By Missionary Society, West Sunbury, Pa.

Mrs. William A. Smith, Christmas Gift by King's Daughters, Grove City, Pa.

Mrs. E. B. Shanks. By W. M. S., Caledonia, Wis.

Miss Jessie Croy, Buffalo, N. Y.

Mrs. Mary Ferguson, Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Ina F. Armstrong, Butler, Pa.

Mrs. Rebecca Stewart, Cambridge, O. By three friends.

Mrs. A. A. Taylor, Cambridge, Ohio.

Mrs. Sarah S. McFadden, New Athens, Ohio. By her son, Rev. Ralph McFadden, Sebring, Ohio.

Mrs. J. G. Hunt, Cairo, Egypt. By Mrs. Chas. F. Wishart, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Mrs. Charles S. Bell, Ibrahimiah, Egypt.

Mrs. G. C. Lake, Venetia, Pa.

Mrs. S. M. Lake, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

The last three by their mother, Mrs. J. C. Boyd, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Mrs. Bertha Grove Reed, Assiut, Egypt. By Mrs. J. C. Boyd, Mt. Lebanon, Pa.

Mrs. S. L. Loudon, Mars, Pa. A Christmas gift from W. M. S.

Mrs. Charles H. Kyle, Xenia, Ohio.

YOUNG WOMEN'S DEPARTMENT

Edited by the Young Women's General Secretary,
Miss Ida B. Little, 132 Allison Ave., Washington, Pa.

MOTTO: "HE THAT WINNETH SOULS IS WISE."

AIM: "WIN ONE."

SPECIAL NOTICE

The first of December the Young Women's Special had to its credit \$429.60. Keep in mind our obligation of \$2720. There remains \$2290.40 to be in the treasurer's hands by March 31, 1914. Of course we want to pay every cent of our obligation.

(Signed)

I. B. L., Young Women's Secy.

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY A Suggested Program.

1. A Board Meeting.
2. Appoint enough members to impersonate the Women's Board.
3. Let the President conduct the devotional exercises.
4. Reports of Secretaries.
5. Let it be supposed that a bequest of \$50,000 has been left to the Board. At this meeting it is to be divided according to the needs of the work.
6. From the material given in this Magazine and the July Report let each Secretary present the need of her department and state the share it should have.
7. A season of prayer for our Women's Board.

FROM THE FIELDS.

YOUNG WOMEN'S SOCIETIES—NEW.

Amoret, Missouri; Kansas City Presbyterian.

Third Spokane, Spokane, Washington, Spokane Presbyterian.

Willamette Mission Circle (now placed under the care of the Women's General Missionary Society as a Young Women's Society,) Willamette, Oregon; Oregon Presbyterian. Our Field Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Alter reported the latter two organizations.

Individuals have written regarding proposed organization of societies in different localities, but have not reported the final outcome. Please be prompt in reporting organizations. Are you careful to give your Presbyterian Young Women's Secretary full information as to new organizations, mission study classes, disbanding of societies or other facts?

Blanks will soon be sent to all the Young Women's organizations for their annual reports. Please fill out as directed and forward promptly to your Presbyterian Secretary of Young Women, so her report may reach the General Secretary on time.

OUR STANDARD.

But a few days of 1914 have passed, yet perhaps many very worthy New Year's resolutions have been sadly broken if not altogether forgotten.

Rather than lopping off this or that habit, would it not be more profitable to assume a positive attitude, adopting a yearly goal towards which to work? It being attained, a more distant goal might be set and so continue. But best of all should we not as Christians adopt the standard of life—for which there is no equal, much less a peer—the standard of our Elder Brother.

We are prone to excuse our petty follies because some person in high place commits the same acts. A young man gave as his reason for thinking a certain indulgence proper for him, that some ministers have the same habit. He forgot that there is but one example we are to follow. As creatures of intellect, culture, soul, nothing under the sun can justify us in following a less worthy example.

We all agree that a standard repre-

sents something fixed. The perfect life, Christ, has placed our standard for us. Since one life has lived this standard, it is worth our while to see how near we can attain to it, especially when this perfect life has promised, under certain conditions, to help us in the undertaking.

The perfect life was a busy one, going about doing good. He came to minister to others, not to be ministered unto, and followed constantly the will of His Father. He put Himself into His work—body, mind and soul.

In this day of fads and fashions, extravagances in the home and in society, young women, of all people, need to take care as to their standard of life. Their assumed standard spells either weal or

woe for the new generation. Select the standard.

And Young Women's Societies, how much of the standards of the Master is being inculcated in your plans for the New Year? Are you satisfied to go on in the same old ruts of previous years or are you determining to advance to the best?

Again permit the mention of the textbook, "The King's Business," as a splendid help towards making any society worth while.

Will our hearts respond in the spirit of Longfellow's "Excelsior" and rise to the standard for life?

IDA B. LITTLE.

STUDY FOR THE MONTH.

"THE KING'S BUSINESS."

Campaigning for the King.

"Expect great things from God; attempt great things for God."—Carey.

Scripture—1 Cor. 12:12-31; Eph. 4:11-16.

Roll Call—Name a member of the Women's Board, Magazine Committee or Officer of W. G. M. S..

Topics for Study.

1. The Relation of the Local Society to the Women's Board.

2. A Board Meeting. Let ten women represent our secretaries and let each one tell in two minutes, "What My Department Needs Most."

NOTE—The study of "New America" is omitted from this month in order to give entire study to the topics 1 and 2. Second study appears in the February Magazine and will continue in regular order.

Form of Bequest.

I do give and bequeath the sum of _____dollars to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America.

Or, if the bequest be of real estate, as follows:

"I do give, devise and bequeath unto the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America all that certain piece of land in _____ and described as follows:

NOTE—Any person desiring to designate to any particular department or departments of work, see leaflet entitled "Departments of Work." Order from Women's Board, 209 9th St., Pittsburgh, Pa.

TEXT BOOKS: "THE KING'S BUSINESS" AND "THE NEW AMERICA" MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE WOMEN'S BOARD, 905 PUBLICATION BUILDING, 209 9th STREET, PITTSBURGH, PA.

SARAH FOSTER HANNA MEMORIAL FUND

IN CHARGE OF HELEN M. TEMPLETON, 55 MORGAN AVE., WASHINGTON, PA.

Since our last report the sum needed, Seventeen Hundred Dollars has been greatly reduced and yet the amount required to complete the Memorial to Mrs. Hanna in the building at Tanta is nearly \$1,000.

We believe through the small sums now coming in the shower of one dollar bills, the interest is increasing and the desire to complete this fund will be realized.

Society and Individual Contributions since last report:

Crawfordsville, Iowa, Y. W. M. S.	\$10.00
Colona, Pa., W. M. S.	5.00
La Prairie, Ill., W. M. S.	20.00
Stronghurst, Ill., W. M. S.	5.00
Oxford, Pa., W. M. S.	5.00
M. Clyde Kelly, Bible Class Fund, Braddock, Pa.	5.00
Eau Claire, Pa., W. M. S.	10.00
Allegheny, Pa., W. M. S.	5.00
Fifth, N. S., Pittsburgh, Pa., W. M. S.	10.00
Evans City, Pa., W. M. S.	5.00
Viola, Ill., W. M. S.	5.00
Second, Jersey City, N. J., W. M. S.	25.00
West Sunbury, W. M. S.	5.00
A member of the class of 1859, Wash- ington, Pa., Seminary, Nagasaki, Japan	4.00
A Friend, Colgate, Wis.	7.00
A Friend, Oneonta, New York	1.00
A Friend, Loveland, Ohio.	1.00
A Friend, Shushan, New York	10.00
A Friend, Cambridge, New York	5.00
A Friend, Tranquillity, Ohio	5.00

Many Societies and Friends are contributing the second time to this Fund in order that the sum may be completed. We are very grateful to these, and to ALL who are giving their help in any way.

*Mrs. J. B. Hill, the General Treasurer, has received for the Mrs. Sarah Foster Hanna Memorial Fund since June 1, 1913, the following contributions:

W. M. S., Southern Illinois Presbytery ..	\$10.00
W. M. S., Garnett Presbytery ..	10.00
W. M. S., Cleveland Presbytery ..	10.00
A Friend, Los Angeles, Cal.	25.00
W. M. S., Los Angeles Presbytery ..	25.00
W. M. S., Philadelphia Presbytery ..	25.00
W. M. S., Colorado Presbytery ..	10.00

W. M. S., College Springs Presbytery....	10.00
W. M. S., Kansas City Presbytery	10.00
W. M. S., Brookville Presbytery	30.00
W. M. S., California Mesa, Uncompahgre Pres.	5.00

*The Societies making above contributions can be given credit, and their names published by sending name and amount given to Mrs. M. R. Barr, 266 East Beau Street, Washington, Pa.

THE ONE DOLLAR SHOWER.

In response to the appeal in the December Magazine for a shower of One Dollar Bills the following have been received, Dec. 16, 1913:

Mrs. Samuel Yourd, Carnegie, Pa.	\$1.00
Mrs. Hervey Bell, Washington, Iowa	2.00
Puckety, Pa., one member W. M. S.	2.00
Mrs. Belle Foster, Mercer, Pa.	1.00
Miss Agnes Mathews, New Florence, Pa.	1.00
Mrs. Edith Edison, New Florence, Pa.	1.00
A Friend	1.00
Mrs. Mary Banker, Paterson, N. J.	1.00
Miss Jennie Pollock, Canonsburg, Pa.	1.00
Miss Gertrude Bennett, Espeyville, Sta. Pa.	1.00
Mrs. Elizabeth McClanahan, Mount Ayr, Iowa	1.00
Mrs. John W. Buck, Mount Ayr, Iowa....	1.00
Mrs. S. H. Wertz, Pinckneyville, Ill.	1.00
Mrs. J. W. Ashwood, Cambridge, Ohio....	1.00
Mrs. J. A. McKesson, Connellsville, Pa.	1.00
Mrs. J. Adams, Slippery Rock, Pa.	1.00

Many in the above list, perhaps all, have contributed previously much larger sums to this Fund, either as individual gifts or through their Missionary Societies. Now they are answering the appeal for "Dollar Bills." One writes, "We are praying for a 'heavy shower,'" another says, "For a regular down-pour."

One response consisted of *two half dollars in paper money*. These recall many memories of the past when "shin plasters" were in circulation and immediately our imagination weaves about them a story of cherished keepsakes, which are being laid upon God's altar to be used in loving service for Him.

Let us bring our treasured gifts to Him who gave Himself for us.

MONTHLY REPORT OF WOMEN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

Nov. 4, 1913. The regular meeting of the Board convened at 10 o'clock; Miss Clark led devotional exercises. After singing No. 38, read for our Scripture lesson the 90th Psalm. Mrs. Hill led in prayer.

Treasurer reported receipts for month, \$10397.63. Disbursements, \$17873.93. Hereafter the Young Women's Secretary and the Junior Secretary will send two blanks to each local society, one to be returned to Presbyterial Rec. Secretary, the other to be kept by the congregational society for reference.

The Women's Board recommends each Presbyterial to elect a Statistical Secretary at its first meeting in order that their work may be parallel with our work.

Foreign Secretary read a very interesting letter from Miss Mary Campbell, relative to the death of Miss Kate Corbett; also letters from Miss Bradford and Dr. Chas. Watson. Rev. J. W. Ballentyne, Sialkot, India, and Miss Carrie Buchanan of the Cairo Girls' College are in Columbia Hospital for treatment.

Miss Welch of Croation Mission, Allegheny is reported ill.

Literature Secretary reported everything in good shape, the best October month the books have ever shown.

As our Literature Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Harsha, has moved to Chicago, Mrs. H. C. Campbell was appointed to take charge of the Literature Department, temporarily.

Home Secretary reports that Miss Allen will be continued in Florence Ave. Mission, Los Angeles until April 1, 1914.

Mrs. Alter, our Field Secretary, reported the organization of a Presbyterial in Spokane, Washington.

Hudson Presbyterial has been organized with the following officers: President, Mrs. W. W. Wallace, 426 West 44th St., New York City; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. D. Finley, 358 72nd St., Brooklyn; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. Burns, 377 Edgecomb Ave., New York City; Treasurer, Mrs. R. W. Kidd, 512 West 172nd St., New York City; Thank-Offering Secretary, Mrs. T. A. Stewart, 467 West 164th St., New York City; Foreign Secretary, Mrs. M. T. Lindsay,

334 West 47th St., New York City; Junior Secretary, Mrs. W. M. Nichol, 463 Pacific St., Brooklyn.

Parsonage Department reports a loan of \$1500 to Barstow Colony, Fresno Co., Cal.

Thank-Offering Secretary gave a very encouraging, enthusiastic report of the thank-offerings.

Mrs. Porter attended the Central Advisory Committee of Women for Foreign Missions in New York, Oct. 24, 1913 and reported she had presented the names of Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Bell to this meeting.

Indian Secretary received report of Simnasho, Oregon from Mr. Speer.

Nov. 18, 1913. The regular meeting of the Board convened at 10 o'clock, Mrs. Hill conducted devotional exercises. After singing part of 51st Psalm, the 27th Psalm was read for our morning lesson. Mrs. Milliken and Mrs. Morton led in prayer.

It is indeed encouraging to know the interest in our work is broadening. On request samples of our Literature have been sent to the Student Volunteer.

Treasurer reported receipts, \$6159.83. Disbursements, \$14546.52.

Are we doing our very best? The harvest is great. Workers are ready. How can we gather in?

Home Secretary received reports from Florence Ave. Mission, Los Angeles, Cal.; Alamo Heights, San Antonio, Texas; Quincy Ave. Mission, Pittsburg, Kans.; 2nd Italian, Pittsburgh, Pa.; North Hill, Akron, Ohio. Rev. Rockwell will take charge of this mission Nov. 2nd as stated supply. Anyone who has a piano or organ to give away might correspond with this mission.

Indian Secretary received reports from Tama and Simnasho.

Freedmen's Secretary received pictures of new hall at Camden and the McMillan Memorial Chapel, Knoxville College.

Received reports from Chase City, Canton Bend. Henderson Hospital has had 72 patients and 7 deaths during year. MRS. JOHN S. CRAWFORD,

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